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# COVID losses exceed \$3 billion in eastern Ontario

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

As of the beginning of June, the estimated economic losses created by the COVID-19 pandemic in eastern Ontario totalled more than \$3 billion, with the equivalent of 80,000 jobs lost.

During an online meeting in June, members of the Eastern Ontario Leadership Council heard a presentation from members of consulting firm Limestone Analytics regarding economic projections stemming from the COVID-19 crisis. Among the partners of the council are the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus, of which Haliburton County is a part, the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (owned by the EOWC), and the Eastern Ontario Mayors' Caucus. The firm's roster includes a number of economics professors from Queen's University.

From February until the start of June, "We are looking at a hit of approximately \$3.1 billion to the economy of eastern Ontario," Bahman Kashi, founder and president of Limestone Analytics and adjunct faculty at Queen's, said during the webinar. That lost gross domestic product

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## Minister's reopening tour stops in Haliburton

Ontario Tourism Minister Lisa MacLeod, second from right, is framed by the sculpture *Fire and Ice: A Really Big Shoe*, as she listens to Jim Blake during a tour of the Sculpture Forest on Thursday, July 9 in Haliburton. MacLeod was impressed by the attraction and also visited Minden's Whitewater Preserve, as part of a provincial tour to encourage residents to explore their communities close to and away from home. See story on page 2. /DARREN LUM Staff

## School board prepares for very different September semester

JENN WATT

Editor

When the September semester arrives at Trillium Lakelands District School Board, some parents will likely be unhappy, director of education Larry Hope told the board of trustees at their

meeting last week.

The board has been asked by the Ministry of Education to prepare for three potential scenarios when school starts up again: return to a normal routine; a modified school day; or continue with at-home learning.

A decision on which model is employed has to do with what the health

units say, and it's possible that students and staff will need to switch between models depending on what happens with the spread of the coronavirus, which triggered the closure of schools last semester and a switch to distance learning.

"We're going to make a lot of

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# Minister's visit promotes local tourism

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Ontario Minister of Tourism Lisa MacLeod had nothing but good things to say about the Highlands as she walked through the Haliburton Sculpture Forest last week as part of the "Reopening Ontario Tour."

"It's a perfect mix of nature, art and heritage and it just has an abundance of beauty and meaning. I'd come back for sure," she said.

Although the minister confirmed there will be a delay to the expected announcement of \$350,000 funding for tourism marketing for this region as part of a \$13 million funding partnership with Destination Ontario and Destination Canada, local representatives remained optimistic.

MacLeod said she loved the Welcome to my Ward concept and plans to take it and share it with other communities that could benefit.

Welcome to my Ward is an initiative of Dysart et al's COVID-19 recovery committee featuring councillors promoting their ward, highlighting points of interest, boat launches and parks, websites for lake associations and businesses.

"With initiatives like that, a little money goes a long way ... the best way we can grow that idea is by taking it provincewide and so we're looking at that and it's only been five minutes," MacLeod said as she walked through Glebe Park.

Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts said she welcomed the opportunity to have the concept shared.

"I'm thrilled. I imagine a lot of communities are doing the same thing. We just have a really catchy name, but it's also from a personal experience. I started to walk trails more right here in Dysart. I started to put my kayak in some boat launches that are 15 minutes away from my house as opposed to thinking I have to go far away to travel," she said.

Roberts said this mindset is in line with what the minister called "hyper-local staycations."

She welcomes more funding from the province.

MacLeod said the challenge for recovery is the "social crisis" facing society.

"Will people feel comfortable again to get out and circulate not just in their own community, but across the province? So we're really trying to focus on that and demonstrate, as the three of us today [are doing], showing we can safely take in a trail. A trail I'd never seen before with natural beauty and history as well as art all combined in what I think is a tourism attraction," she said.

She said the Sculpture Forest is a prime candidate for a promotional video to draw prospective visitors.

After her tour of the Sculpture Forest, the minister visited the Minden Whitewater Preserve on Horseshoe Lake Road in Minden. Her visit included a short talk about the facility and she spoke to high-level whitewater paddlers, who were showing their skills on the rapids.

Haliburton County Warden Liz Danielson said she was disappointed by the delay in funding, but appreciated the visit and opportunity for promotion for the area.

"It's always a good idea to promote the area, particularly during these times to have some promotion and understanding: 'Hey, you can get out and enjoy things.' We've got lots of beautiful things to enjoy and the tourism industry has been hurting and this helps to promote it," she said. "Am I disappointed that there is no funding announced? Yes. But we've been assured that there will be funding to the area. It's just that now we could probably use it."

## Fire ban issued for Haliburton County

Following weeks of dry conditions, the fire chiefs of Haliburton County decided on July 7 to introduce a countywide fire ban.

No burning is permitted at any time of day, including fires for warmth or food. Fireworks are also banned.

Although you can't have a fire for cooking or warmth, propane (not charcoal) barbecues are permitted, as are camp stoves.

Questions about the ban should be directed to your local fire department.



Ontario Tourism Minister Lisa MacLeod came to Haliburton for the first time, visiting the Sculpture Forest on Thursday, July 9. MacLeod was impressed by the attraction and also visited Minden's Whitewater Preserve, as part of a provincial tour to encourage residents to explore their communities. /DARREN LUM Staff

The municipal politician credited tourism staff with organizing the tour and said the tour allowed her to see freestyle kayakers ride and negotiate the rapids for the first time.

MacLeod said appealing to Ontario residents to travel in their own province is called "hyper-local marketing."

"Hyper-local marketing means please go back out to your local farmers' market. Please come down and visit your local waterways. Please come out and visit your local trails, like your forest sculptures. Take a trip to a local patio. Join people together at your local ice cream shop," she said. "It's safe to do so, otherwise the chief medical officer of health would have said no. And so we're trying to demonstrate here that you do not have to leave your community to have an impeccable summer vacation. You can go out. You can stay at home. You can stay at one of your local hotels or resorts or a cabin, but it's safe to do so right here in this community. Why wouldn't you want to? I mean, if I could stay another week, I would."

Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization executive director Nicole Whiting was also disappointed by the funding delay, but said the minister's intended return when the province is in Stage 3 of reopening brought her hope.

"In terms of the announcement, yes, it was disappointing, but we recognize it was really a logistical decision. There's still a commitment to providing [the] same funding the RTOs [regional tourism organizations] have received across the province."

Ontario's Highlands is the second largest region of 13 in Ontario and is also known as RTO 11, which includes Haliburton County, Renfrew County, and Lanark County, and portions of Hastings, Frontenac, and Lennox and Addington Counties.

This was Whiting's first trip away from her home region since the provincial shutdown started and she said it was great to travel and see how well operators and businesses are coping with the reality of COVID-19 protocols.

The effort is about getting people to broaden their view on travel options, which are closer to home.

"We are very optimistic about that because we're already seeing it even before the marketing dollars are in place. I've talked to a number of operators that are saying they are very relieved to see the business coming in during the summer so that's very encouraging. We're going to try and keep that momentum going into the fall and I think it sets us up really well for 2021 as well," Whiting said.

One major attribute of the region is space to explore, which makes it easy to physically distance.

Motioning towards the Gull River at the Whitewater Preserve, Whiting said, "This is exactly what people



Ontario Tourism Minister Lisa MacLeod looks at the sculpture *A Walk in the Woods* made by sculptor Mary Ellen Farrow with Dysart et al Mayor Andrea Roberts and Infrastructure Minister and local MPP Laurie Scott seen behind at Sculpture Forest on Thursday, July 9. /DARREN LUM Staff

are looking for right now. Like we can naturally social distance [here] ... get outside, move around rather than being cooped up. We've been cooped up for months. Whether it's whitewater kayaking, hiking, or biking, or just getting out on the water. We have so many opportunities to do that. I don't want anybody to be discouraged by the change of plans. Do not be discouraged. We are very much involved with those funding decisions. It's just a matter of time."

Municipal leaders said they were disappointed that expected funding was not announced during the visit, but they remained optimistic that money would be forthcoming. MacLeod said she was impressed with Dysart's Welcome to my Ward campaign, which highlights different parts of the municipality, encouraging people to visit their own community.

### Correction

In West Guilford News column, "Much to be missed from WG Canada Day," published in the July 7 *Haliburton Echo*, it was incorrectly stated that Margot (Austen) Sisson's father had passed away. The accurate information is that it was her brother who passed away. Our apologies for the error.



# County to enter Stage 3 Friday

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

Haliburton County, along with most parts of Ontario, will enter Stage 3 of the provincial government's phased COVID-19 recovery process as of 12:01 a.m. this Friday, July 17.

Premier Doug Ford made that announcement during his daily press briefing on July 13.

Numbers of daily new cases of the virus have been on the decline in the province for about five weeks, with 116 new cases confirmed Monday, and remaining active COVID-19 cases throughout Ontario just below 1,500. There have been some 2,720 deaths from the virus in the province, with nearly 33,000 recovered cases.

"Our success in reducing the spread of COVID-19 and getting Ontario to a place where we are ready to reopen most of the province is a testament to the hard work of business owners, individuals and families right across the province," Ford said in a press release. "So many have stepped up and played by the rules, demonstrating that we can restart our economy safely and responsibly. Small actions can make a big difference. Now more than ever, we must continue to follow the public health advice to preserve the progress we have made together."

Stage 3 will allow most types of businesses to re-open with physical distancing protocols in place, including dine-in restaurants, bars, casinos, gyms and recreational facilities.

"Almost 99 per cent of the local econ-

omy will be available to re-open," said Finance Minister Rod Phillips during Monday's press conference.

"We may be in Stage 3 for a while, but our economic recovery has already started," Phillips said.

The number of people permitted at a gathering will increase from 10 to 100 for an outdoor gathering, and 50 for an indoor gathering. Physical distancing of two metres is to be maintained between people at these gatherings. Social bubbles – groups of family or friends with whom close contact is made – is still not to exceed 10.

"Public gathering limits apply to indoor and outdoor events, such as community events or gatherings, concerts, live shows, festivals, conferences, sports and recreational fitness activities, fundraisers, fairs, festivals or open houses," reads a press release from the province. "A two-metre distance must still be maintained at such events."

Locations such as amusement and water parks, buffet-style food services, karaoke rooms, overnight camps for children, saunas and steam rooms or gaming tables at casinos are still deemed too high-risk to reopen in Stage 3. Dancing at restaurants and bars remains prohibited except by hired performers following specific requirements.

The province's most urban areas, including Toronto, York Region, Durham Region, Niagara Region, Halton, Hamilton and Windsor-Essex, will remain in Stage 2 for the time being. The provincial government will be providing updates each Monday about which regions may enter Stage 3.

## Masks now required in Haliburton County businesses

Face masks are now mandatory in businesses in Haliburton County, according to instructions issued by the medical officer of health of the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

"Owners and operators of commercial establishments ... will be required to have policies in place to stop people from entering the establishment if they are not wearing a non-medical mask or face covering," reads part of the announcement, noting the instructions for masking are effective Monday, July 13 while the provincial emergency orders remain in force or until the instructions are discontinued by the local medical officer of health.

When the region moves to Stage 3 on July 17, masks will remain mandatory, the health unit confirmed on Monday.

"The health unit's instruction on mask use in commercial establishments doesn't change as we move to Stage 3. In fact, it's more relevant than ever," Bill Eekhof, communications officer for HKPR District Health Unit said.

"Although we have seen a decline in the number of COVID-19 cases in our area, we want to be sure we continue to see a decrease as we move towards the reopening of more businesses within the province. We need to do everything we can to avoid the chance of a resurgence in activity that we have seen in some other places. And wearing non-medical masks/face coverings in commercial establishments is one way of doing this, along with continued handwashing, physical distancing and staying home if sick."

Commercial establishments that are open to the public and used for the purposes of offering goods or services for sale including retail stores, convenience stores,

restaurants, personal services settings, grocery stores and bakeries, gas stations, indoor farmers' markets and areas of mechanics' shops/garages/repair shops which are open to the public are included in the instructions.

Wearing a mask protects other people, reducing the chances that someone would unknowingly pass the virus on to others.

"Provincially, we have seen a number of asymptomatic cases," said Dr. Lynn Noseworthy, medical officer of health for HKPR, in the release. "This is just another step in doing what we can to protect our family, friends and neighbours in our communities."

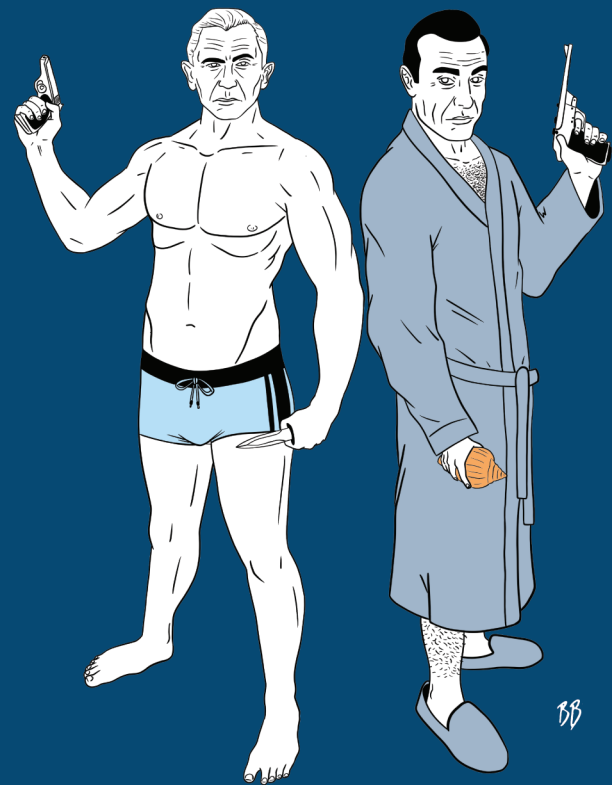
The release said the policy of commercial establishments should be "enacted and enforced in 'good faith' and should be used as an opportunity to educate about the use of non-medical masks or face coverings in indoor commercial establishments. Additional education and enforcement will be conducted by health unit staff, as well as local municipal bylaw and police officers."

Exemptions for mask-wearing within commercial establishments include children under two, those with developmental disabilities who refuse to wear a mask, people who are incapacitated or unable to remove a mask without assistance, or for other religious or medical reasons including respiratory disease, cognitive difficulties or difficulties in hearing or processing information.

More information can be found at: [www.hkpr.on.ca](http://www.hkpr.on.ca) or call toll-free at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 5020.

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# Modified routine would keep students home some days

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people very unhappy because we're not going to be able to deliver for a segment of the population. No matter what we do, we know that a modified day or program of any sort is not ideal for most families, particularly those with younger children," Hope said at the board meeting.

Katherine MacIver, superintendent of learning, presented the plans to the board on July 8, saying feedback from two "Thought Exchange" processes that engaged more than 3,670 participants had informed the plans' development.

From the Thought Exchanges, the board learned that parents, students and staff want enhanced cleaning and safety protocols; need support for mental health and wellbeing; prefer in-person learning; want attention paid to the workload placed on students; and want effective scheduling.

While there was less to explain about two of the three models – the normal routine and the at-home learning – the modified school day presented more challenges.

"I think if you're following in social media and listening to the news, this is the one that's getting a lot of attention and a lot of concern because it does mean that students would not be attending school every day," McIver said.

The modified school day routine, should it be chosen, would include students attending classes in-person two

regular weekdays and alternating Fridays. They would be in cohorts of no more than 15 students. Scheduling would aim to have students from the same household attend school on the same days. Teachers would have prep time at the end of the day.

One trustee asked about those students whose parents decided to keep them home, if in-person classes went ahead. When and how would the teacher be instructing them?

"This is where we need some good data around parents and how many parents have intentions to send their children to school versus intentions to keep them at home ...," McIver responded.

The survey of parents and students had found the online workload overwhelming. At last week's meeting, it was explained that a "block schedule" would be in place for secondary students so they could focus on one credit at a time "to limit contact between students, cohorts, and staff. Each credit block will be a minimum of 23 days where teaching staff will maintain an online classroom so that curriculum can be delivered equitably to all students," a highlights document from the board reads.

Haliburton County trustee Gary Brohman inquired about how safety protocols could be in place for hands-on classes such as shop and phys-ed.

He was told that limited class sizes, cleaning routines, use of personal protective equipment and some altera-

tion of what activities are offered would make it possible to offer those classes.

Brohman also inquired about PPE and how it would be paid for.

"What we know is, there is a government allocation for PPE," Hope said. "What we don't know yet is who that PPE is for."

Hope said he had already received some pushback on the use of PPE (though he did not specify from who) and noted the difficult position the board is in. On July 13, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit mandated masks in all commercial establishments. TLDSB also has schools in the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit region, which similarly issued a mandate for mask wearing.

"This really is an exercise in managing people's expectations. This is a difficult, difficult line we're walking right now," Hope said.

Plans must be ready for the Ministry of Education by Aug. 4. The school board is developing staff and parent handbooks and is surveying families about their preference for remote or in-person school attendance.

In addition, at the July 8 meeting, trustees approved ratification of local collective agreements with the Canadian Union of Public Employees for custodial/maintenance, office, clerical, and technical staff and educational assistants; as well as with the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario permanent teachers.

# Wardens' caucus proposes enhanced fixed broadband project

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entailed the loss of 80,000 full-time equivalent jobs.

"A share of this is jobs that are actually no longer there, and a portion of it is people just working less hours," Kashi said. The tourism sector has been hit hard, with some 23,000 of those 80,000 FTE job losses in food provision, accommodation and retail. The firm's projections, which are based on a continued, phased re-opening of the economy by the provincial government, include losses for eastern Ontario by the end of the calendar year totalling between \$6.8 and \$8.1 billion, the difference based largely on the tourism sector's ability to recover.

A change in consumer behaviour means spending on travel, recreation and tourism is down, and this decrease creates ramifications for other areas of the economy.

"Their projections will also have implications on the projections of other sectors, because people may be spending elsewhere, or the inputs that would be pur-

chased from other sectors may not be purchased," Kashi said. "So, the impact will be felt by other sectors, too."

Proportionally, eastern Ontario has actually fared better than the province at large.

"There is less manufacturing," Kashi said, adding that manufacturing took a huge hit near the start of the pandemic so areas that rely heavily on manufacturing, such as some west of Toronto, subsequently took a sharp economic dive. Eastern Ontario's industrial composition, with many jobs in the financial services, for instance, is such that it is has allowed it to remain less affected than other regions of the province.

Kashi said that a diversification of sectors in general can create at least some degree of resiliency in a regional economy. "This pandemic gives us some measure, so we can use this pandemic and look at how different regions have been impacted . . . and then try to see if we can explain that based on some parameters."

The firm's projections for Ontario as whole include

lost GDP by the end of 2020 of between an estimated \$89 billion and \$107 billion, again dependent largely on the tourism sector's ability to rebound.

In response, the EOWC is proposing a new gigabyte project to enhance fixed broadband internet connectivity throughout the region.

"COVID-19 had exposed the serious lack of internet access and capacity for rural residents and businesses across eastern Ontario. EORN and the EOWC are proposing a new fixed broadband project that will be capable of delivering speeds of one Gbps (gigabit per second) for up to 95 per cent of the homes and businesses across the EOWC region," reads a release from the EOWC. "EORN is ready to work with the federal and provincial governments, as well as other key stakeholders in order to move the project forward quickly."

That project would be in addition to the EOWC's \$213-million cell gap project, which seeks to fill all existing gaps in cellular broadband connectivity throughout the eastern portion of the province with the construction of new communications towers. A request for proposals was recently released for that project, which is expected to take about four years to complete.

Members of the EOWC have been meeting with federal MPs to discuss possible solutions to helping revive regional economies.

"The EOWC looks forward to continuing its work with the federal government in order to implement solutions that help local economies, reduce costs, and ultimately make changes that improve the lives of the people of Ontario, and across Canada," the release reads.

In light of the COVID-19 crisis, the EOWC has reframed a number of priorities, chief among them a review of municipal long-term care facilities.

"The EOWC is currently preparing an RFP in order to engage a consultant and looks forward to providing an update on the study findings in the coming months. This research will help provide a portrait of the 'situation on the ground' and better inform provincial ministries of the current municipal realities."

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# Bear killed at Kennisis Lake posed safety concern: OPP

JENN WATT

Editor

Haliburton Highlands OPP killed a bear in the Kennisis Lake area after reports it had been breaking into dwellings for three weeks and had lost fear of humans.

"This is a dangerous situation because the bear had no fear of humans and was directly entering dwellings in search of food," said acting Staff Sgt. Jason Folz of Central Region Headquarters for the OPP. "The bear was in and out of the cottage when police arrived and did not run away when approached by humans. The behaviour of this animal is a serious public safety concern."

The bear was killed on July 6 at about 2 p.m. on Pine Point Road.

Seasonal resident Craig Gilbert said he was at his cottage with his family when the bear was killed and heard several gunshots. He wasn't comfortable with the measures taken by the police and questioned whether the situation could have been avoided.

"... it's very disturbing that in very close proximity a police officer was firing his weapon with no warning to neighbours. I find it very sad that we can't manage the few incidents of wildlife encounters, we have a paid resource, the MNR (and a cottage lake association) to do this and also to provide better education," Gilbert said in an email.

Folz said the officer had public safety in mind and that there wasn't time to warn neighbours.

"Dealing with a public safety issue, such as this, is a very fluid and dynamic situation. OPP members are trained to safely use issued firearms with utmost concern for public safety. In this situation there was not the time to warn everyone when the opportunity to safely dispatch the animal presented itself," he said.

Gilbert said the bear had been seen on his property in the preceding weeks, and with no food sources available, it left without incident. Concerned there could be an issue with the bear and area residents, Gilbert said his daughter offered to take neighbours' trash to the dump to remove attractants for the bear.

The police regularly get calls about wildlife, Folz said, though destroying animals is not common, as most will move along on their own. In order for police to kill wildlife, "The animal must be a direct threat to public safety. In this instance, entering dwellings [definitely] meets the criteria," he said.

**"I guess my real issue is that there's really no 'bear management' program in place in Haliburton."**

— Craig Gilbert

A spokesperson for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry said they could not give out specific statistics on how frequently they receive calls from Haliburton County as they do not compile statistics that way.

MNR spokesperson Jolanta Kowalski provided general information about her ministry's procedures regarding nuisance bears:

"Public safety is our top priority. Ministry staff will work with police services to determine an appropriate plan of action if a bear is posing an immediate threat to personal safety. This may involve aversive conditioning, trapping, or dispatch as a last resort," she said.

"Bears want to avoid humans. While most encounters are not aggressive and attacks are rare, you should contact 911 or your local police if a bear poses an immediate threat to personal safety and exhibits threatening or aggressive behaviour, such as: enters a school yard when school is in session; stalks people and lingers at the site; enters or tries to enter a residence; wanders into a public gathering; kills livestock/pets and lingers at the site."

Kowalski did not respond to a follow-up question by press time on whether or not the MNR had been involved with the Kennisis Lake incident.

Gilbert said he has been pursuing the issue with the OPP and has made calls to the detachment, receiving responses he said are unsatisfactory. He said measures should have been taken earlier to avoid killing the bear.

"I guess my real issue is that there's really no 'bear management' program in place in Haliburton. If there was, there's a very strong probability this bear wouldn't have been killed. Whether this is a municipal, MNR, police or joint responsibility, we have not (in Haliburton) implemented any really effective bear management practises," he said.

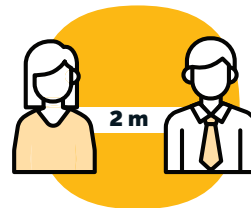
Members of the public have two main resources to contact if a bear has created an issue on their property: the police and the MNR.

"If a bear poses an immediate threat to personal safety or exhibits threatening or aggressive behaviour, your first call should be to 911 or your local police services," said Kowalski. "Police will respond to an emergency but may request assistance from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry during daylight hours. Call the Ministry's toll-free Bear Wise reporting line at 1-866-514-2327 (which operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week from April 1 to November 30) for non-emergency encounters, including if a bear: roams around or checks garbage cans; breaks into a shed where garbage or food is stored; is in a tree; pulls down a bird feeder or knocks over a barbecue; moves through a backyard or field but does not linger."

The public is reminded to store garbage in an enclosed storage area and not to fill bird feeders until winter. Bears are attracted to strong smells, so it's important not to leave any food items outside.

Information on dealing with bears can be found at <https://www.ontario.ca/page/prevent-bear-encounters-bear-wise>.

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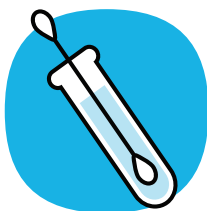
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## Steady income

**L**IVING THROUGH a pandemic has changed the way many of us look at the formerly accepted way of doing things. From curbside delivery to working from home, we're re-examining what we once thought was impractical, and finding there might be a better way, even following the pandemic.

The same may be true for universal basic income – which offers a stipend from the government ensuring everyone has an income meeting a certain threshold – or something similar.

Last month, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit board wrote a letter to the prime minister, deputy prime minister and minister of finance, asking them to take a look at extending the Canada Emergency Response Benefit beyond the pandemic, noting the power of guaranteed income to keep households afloat when jobs are scarce, improving mental health and providing stability.

This isn't a new message for the health unit, which has pointed to income as one of the key factors in attaining good physical and mental health. In a 2017 column, Mary Lou Mills, a HKPR District Health Unit social determinants of health nurse detailed some of the positive results of the basic income pilot conducted in Manitoba in the 1970s. It found a lower hospitalization rate and fewer visits to health-care providers for mental illness.

To the question of whether a guaranteed income would encourage people to work less, Mills said the pilot found "teenagers and new

mothers were the only groups to work less."

In an effort to test those decades-old findings, the provincial government embarked on a three-year study of 4,000 people in three regions, one in Lindsay. Unfortunately, that pilot was truncated when a new government took over, leaving researchers with little data.

(Researchers at McMaster and Ryerson universities partnered with the Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction did attempt to harvest information from the first year

of the study, surveying 217 participants from the Hamilton, Brantford and Brant County area and found 75 per cent of those who were working when the project began continued working, some of them in better jobs with higher wages. According to the CBC, a wide majority of survey respondents reported better overall health while receiving the guaranteed income.)

Here in Haliburton County, we may be seeing positive effects from the short-term CERB funding. At the annual general meeting for Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents, executive director Marg Cox pointed out how beneficial the steady income has been for some.

"It has made such a huge difference in people's lives when they're not necessarily struggling to find out where the next meal comes from," she said.

As we continue forward into many more months of economic uncertainty, the timing seems right to try a basic income pilot once again.



jenn watt

## Editorial



Lakeside flora

by Jenn Watt

## The haircut

**I**T'S ALL about the hair for me. I have really thick hair that I inherited from my dad. It's been short my whole life and I like to think, funky. I get it cut every four to six weeks; my hair is important to how I feel. I always get compliments after I get it done. I had it cut in early February of this year, and had planned to go again in mid-March, and then everything closed down.

I was home with my hair growing every day. What was really funny, in hindsight, was that I swore I would never do any online teaching of yoga or meditation because I just wasn't comfortable being filmed. And on March 23 that all changed as I started teaching classes every day, and got to watch my hair grow as I went. No make up, no funky hair and a daily online presence as my hair got longer, thicker and wilder.

I have always taught that yoga and meditation are about loving and accepting yourself exactly as you are and I got to practice that every day for 104 days. Finally the day came the day when the province announced that hair salons could open and I made my appointment. My anticipation was enormous. I just couldn't wait to sit in the chair and feel my hairdresser's hands run through my hair and have her cut it with confidence and love.

I've been going to Suzanne McK-

echne for many years and I always say "do what you think will suit me" and I have never been disappointed. I pulled into her driveway at the scheduled time and there she was wearing her mask and welcoming me. I think I surprised her, and myself when I burst into tears. I was just so glad to see her and so glad to be doing something that felt familiar and makes me feel so good. I had missed her, and how she makes me feel.

In her sweet way Suzanne asked me if I was having a hard day and said she was glad to see me. I continued to cry as I signed in, washed my hands and put on my mask. I was just so surprised at the wave of emotion because I was having a great day and was so happy to be there. They were tears of gratitude and anticipation.

I sat down, pulled myself together and Suzanne worked her magic. Seriously, I felt like my long hair was sucking the energy out of me and so with each snip of her scissors I felt lighter, happier and more energetic. Her hands just know what to do. The funny ending to this story is that I was so calm and relaxed at the end of the cut that I paid her the wrong amount, and of course in her sweet way she didn't say anything. It was only when I got home that I realized what I had done. None of us will ever, ever take our hairdresser or barber for granted again.

Tales from  
the great



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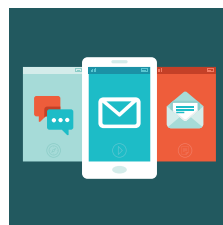
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# points of view

## Don't call me Gollum

**A**BOUT TWO weeks ago I was walking my pup Rosie at about 6:30 in the morning when we arrived at her favourite spot, which is a little opening in the shoreline vegetation on Head Lake, where the snowmobile trail meets the lake.

Rosie loves to swim there.

Unfortunately, even something this innocent can get the local rumour mill started. So allow me dispense of one before it ever takes root and people start to look at me funny.

I have never lived deep under a mountain. Nor have I ever had possession of the One ring that rules them all. Honest.

In all fairness, this would have been an easy assumption for any passerby to make, given what happened as I sat there watching Rosie swim.

You see, Rosie was enjoying the water, splashing around and generally being the kind of cute only puppies know how to be, when she looked at me as if to say, "You might as well sit down and enjoy the view. We're going to be here for a while."

I suppose I could have just pulled on her leash and dragged her out but, honestly, I wanted to try to coax her to me while I still had the patience.

So I began sweet talking her, the way you do to puppies.

"Oh, Rosie. Here, Rosie!" I said, to absolutely no effect. For given the choice between muddy lake water and a person, a pup will always choose the lake water – which, frankly, I find a bit insulting.

I then added "darling" to the call, as in, "Here, Rosie darling."

But, again to no avail.

Then a brilliant idea struck me. I figured the only things Rosie loves more than swimming is retrieving and sticks. So, I reached for a nearby stick, threw it just beyond her and said "fetch." And Rosie did so with great focus and dash.

Since retrieving is essentially what I got Rosie for, I was very pleased and figured I would reward her like they tell you to in the dog training books. That is by making a really big deal of it.

So as soon as she brought it to me, I splashed the water around her, duck walked around by the pickerel rushes and engulfed Rosie in my arms while yelling, "Oh my precious! My precious!"

And that would have been OK, had the woman who was walking past me at the time saw the pup.

But, as evidenced by the speed she quickly attained, she did not.

Instead, she saw a balding Hobbit-sized man bouncing around in the water, splashing and yelling, "Oh my precious. My precious."

Ladies and gentlemen, this is how rumours get started. Also, it didn't help that there was a dead fish on the shore beside me.

All this is to say that – despite what the evidence suggests – if you hear tell of a fellow who bore more than a passing resemblance to Gollum, acting strangely by the waterfront, making a big deal of his "precious," don't be alarmed. It was just me trying to encourage my pup.

As I said, I have never possessed a ring of power that controls Nazgul and bestows invisibility, but if I had, believe me, I would not have spent years living under a mountain eating raw fish. Instead, I would have visited all you can eat sushi bars with friends and only put the ring on when it was time to split the cheque.

In any case, this was perhaps one of the most awkward circumstances I have been party to of late.

Imagine my embarrassment – getting caught calling my hunting dog Precious.



steve  
galea

## Loon Tales



## pic of the past

**T**his photo was taken in 1938 at the corner of Highland Street and Maple Avenue in Haliburton. The crowd had gathered to see the annual Twelfth of July celebration. It was the gathering of the Orange Lodges to remember a long ago victory of Britain's King William who was from The Netherlands. These parades were big events in Peterborough, Lindsay, Toronto and elsewhere. "King Billy" is leading the junior contingent of Haliburton's Orange Association along Highland Street. Of interest is Margaret Nicol's Tea Shop. That building has housed many businesses over the years. For example, in the early 1920s, it was the Earle and Dart store. Later it became George Chu's Restaurant. Across Maple Avenue is Nicol's pharmaceutical store. Pictured from left, Lorraine Dean, Don Walling (first boy), Violet Sipe, Tom Hodgson, Sinclair Davis (flag), Glen Hodgson - King Billy, on pony. The Orange celebration with long parades on the 12th of July became a huge social event. The sawmills were closed for the day. It was a time for people to gather together, often with families, to visit and enjoy themselves. This photo was supplied by Tom Hodgson, who said he can remember hearing the drums and fifes practicing for the parade in early July. His uncle Chris of Burnt River played the fife.

## letters to the editor

## Railway history has inspired a student art show

Students from Grades 1 to 12 are invited to enter an online student art show this summer! Choose one of the following local landmarks for your subject: The Caboose; or Haliburton Station, home of Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre; or The Locomotive 2616 at the high school playing field.

Each young artist will receive a free one year

gallery membership and the show launches in September 2020.

Is your child or grandchild a budding young artist? Encourage them participate! Look up entry details at [railsendgallery.com](http://railsendgallery.com) under the Exhibitions tab or visit Rails End Gallery to learn more.

Submitted by Rails End Gallery

## Thoughts on mitigating COVID-19 spread

To the Editor,

Why is the use of masks still such a controversy? Masks are definitely shown to work in limiting spread of the coronavirus and the businesses, cities, regions and countries that have mandated their use are reaping the benefits. Slow adoption of this has cost Canada (directly and indirectly) billions of dollars lost dollars and hundreds of lives. Surely the days of indecision are over and masks must be mandated at the provincial or federal level (with certain allowances). Of course this cannot be technically enforced, but using peer pressure rather than the blunt hand of the law will gain the necessary public acceptance. Forcing businesses to require masks (and probably hand sanitizers) for employees and customers is also required to attain widespread usage of masks.

Yet more work lies ahead. It is inevitable that there will be a second wave when colder weather drives people indoors. The focus must be on how to make workplaces, stores, pubs and restaurants safer this autumn and winter. The most effective answer is to enhance the HVAC systems – not just the ductwork but also the air flow.

There are three components regarding ductwork. One is to replace current filters with better filters – ideally HEPA filters that trap micro particles (including viruses). Some HEPA filters can trap micro particles more effectively than N95 masks. The second is or bring in more fresh uncontaminated air from outside. (All commercial passenger aircraft already employ both of these features.) The third is to install UV lighting

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# Escape to the End of the Rail

*A visual diary of a young girl choosing to leave everything behind to observe life at the rails end*

February 5, 1879

Today was the day where my family and I went on a new journey, to escape the bustle of the big city and start a new life in the country. I am currently on a Victoria Railway train waiting to arrive at our final destination at 6:50 p.m. in Haliburton. Earlier today, we left Toronto by the Toronto and Nipissing Railway at 7 a.m. That took us to the Lindsay Station by early afternoon. There we had to wait for another hour until the next train arrived to bring us north. While we were waiting I noticed that our two passenger cars were positioned behind several freight cars but ahead of the caboose. We were on a special passenger train called "The Highlander." It was specifically for cottagers travelling to and from Haliburton and Toronto on the weekends. Along the way from Lindsay, we stopped at smaller stations in Cameron, Fenelon Falls, Kinmount, Gelert, Ingoldsby, Dysart, and Goulds Crossing. We're approaching the rails end, Haliburton, now.

Until next time Diary...

*Written by Jessica Byers*



## Day camp operators prepare for physically distant summer

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Since being given the go-ahead to run summer day camp for kids, operators have been modifying their programming to conform with provincial safety protocols – encountering some challenges along the way.

Abbey Gardens education co-ordinator Irene Heaven said offering summer day programming is important for children who need to be outside and socializing, but this season they will be introducing restrictions on how many kids can participate, and ensuring physical distancing is happening.

"It's going to be very different [from last summer] because of such small numbers allowed. As a programmer, it's challenging that way, but I think we have

come up with some pretty neat ideas for them so I'm excited about it," Heaven said.

Typically, there are upwards of 25 participants for some of their offerings. This year's day programming is capped at eight for two of the three program options: Lil' Buds Discovery and the Outdoor Kids Discovery program, giving children an opportunity to explore and learn about the environment. The third program, Taking the Reins, for 11- to 14-year-olds interested in working with horses, is capped at six participants.

Heaven said it's important parents are realistic about their children's capabilities to ensure they can work with little supervision due to physical distancing measures.

She said a challenge this summer will be to engage the kids while also keeping them apart from one another.

"Now you're trying to engage them, but with six feet apart from each other, but then also try to continue to involve each other so it is very challenging," she said.

Six-foot bamboo "discovery sticks" are given to the participants to ensure physical distancing. The sticks can also be used for hiking. Participants have their own bin for storing belongings and materials. Equipment such as mats and clipboards will be assigned and labelled and sharing prohibited. Regular handwashing and sanitizing breaks will help ensure hygiene standards and each day the kids' guardi-

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*It's going to be very different [from last summer] because of such small numbers allowed.*

— Irene Heaven

ans will be asked to fill out a health checklist.

Heaven said a major factor in going ahead was having plenty of outdoor space to conduct the programming.

"All our programs are outdoors so we have two large tents that are open walled ... and [we] will have our stations set up all distanced out, but really have 300 acres that we can go and explore. That's huge. We're not using any indoor space and if we tried to use our typical indoor space I think it would be much more difficult. It's a lot more cleaning. A lot more sanitizing and I think making use of the Abbey Gardens property made it an easy decision to do," she said.

The decision to proceed with a plan to see FINDING page 9

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# Finding indoor space challenging for summer camp provider

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offer educational outdoor programming was made on June 1. If the popularity warrants it, Heaven said they will look to offer more programs.

Camexicanus's co-founder and director Greg Sadlier said for some of their participants this will be an opportunity to get back what was lost when schools closed.

"For a lot of the kids maybe to have their first experience outside their 'bubble' or outside of their home interacting with kids for an entire week who aren't their siblings ... first and foremost having safe fun just being able to forget what's been going on for months and just be kids for part of the summer," he said.

He said it's important to be able to bring quality arts programming to children in the county.

Parents have told him they'd like to give their children an experience with other kids before a potential return to school in the autumn.

"Life outside their home, following guidelines around other kids. Just a chance to really practice before they go to school," he said.

Parents and guardians may be returning to work this month, leaving them with a need for children's programming.

"We just really want to put that need out. We're kind of facilitators. We just want to put that need out to the community and say, families really need this and how can we respond to that as a community."

Sadlier said he and his staff have been preparing to offer two one-week camps with arts and sports programming for



Children's programming is going forward at some venues in the county, including Abbey Gardens, where this file photo was taken. New protocols to prevent the spread of COVID-19 mean day camp providers must find ways to engage kids while keeping them apart. /FILE PHOTO by Darren Lum

kids ages six to 14 (grades 1 to 8).

One hurdle for Camexicanus is finding indoor space. Currently, they have secured the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre in Wilberforce for a full week starting Monday, July 27.

"Highlands East was really great. They jumped on it and their emergency response committee was right on top of it and wanted to make it happen," Sadlier said.

He's hoping to secure indoor sites in Minden and Haliburton. The space needs to be large enough to allow for physical distancing and must have washrooms.

"Space is of the essence because the more space we have really the more we can do. The more flexibility we have we can do dance, we can do drama, we can do all those things we would regularly do, if we have that availability of outdoor and indoor space," he said.

Safety protocols will include taking temperatures, physical distancing, tracking facility use and recording health information. Activities that require physical exertion will be done outside.

Sadlier said they purchased hula hoops to ensure physical distancing is maintained.

"Each camper is going to get their own individual hula hoop for the week and so when we're doing programs, or sitting down in a group or whatever each of them will sit in their hula hoop," he said.

Participants will have their own space, tools such as easels, and also receive a prepared package of materials and tools that are sanitized to work with for visual arts.

Sadlier said making adjustments and adapting to the new world order is challenging, but he and his staff are ready.

"We are used to being flexible. We have run programs in different countries: Mexico, throughout Canada and various different spaces and places. Being flexible when you're working in the arts and when you're working in the arts with youth and kids is vital and paramount to the work we do anyways. ... That was the main piece of the puzzle was getting the right team in place that is able to just work cohesively, creatively because we really want this to work. We want this for the sake of families and their students to be a positive marker in this year," he said.

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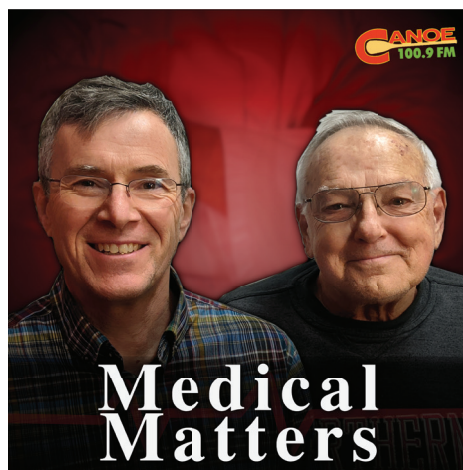
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## Haliburton podcasts offer new way to tune-in to programming

JENN WATT

Editor

Those not near a radio at the precise time may have missed Dr. Norm Bottum explain COVID-19 masks to host Barry Wilhelm, or Terry Moore discuss shoreline bugs and lake health, or Kate Butler and Paul Vorvis talk about how the Spanish flu affected the 1919 Stanley Cup playoffs on Canoe FM.

Though radio enthusiasts may mark their day based on which program is playing on the county's community radio station, for others who aren't as tuned in, important and entertaining programming may be missed.

Changing listener habits is part of the reason Canoe FM embarked on a podcast project, hiring a podcast producer last August to cultivate the capabilities of volunteers and bolster the lineup of programming. A countywide survey found that people wanted to listen to spoken word programming, but weren't able to tune in at the right time.

"We started looking at a lot of different things at

Canoe that we could do to keep them relevant and to attract a younger demographic of listeners and at the same time not lose the older demographic, who are loyal listeners," said Paul Vorvis, chair of the programming committee, board member, and host of Time Warp. "One of the measures we thought about a couple years ago was, we have some really good shows like Terry Moore's Planet Haliburton and Barry Wilhelm's Medical Matters ... We decided that we would pursue [podcasts] as an option and we would take our regular shows that are currently being broadcast on the radio station, like Medical Matters and Planet Haliburton, we'd make them available on the website, but also through the podcast providers."

Podcasts are like radio shows, but they are available online anytime and can be automatically downloaded to your smartphone or computer to be played when it's convenient.

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— Rob Muir, Canoe FM

show is ready to play anytime you want," said Rob Muir, podcast producer for Canoe FM. "This is another great tool for exposure, someone may Google a question about caring for houseplants, find Master Garden-

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# Podcasts can be tailored to specific listeners' interests

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er's episode about houseplants, then decide that they like the rest of Pauline's show and subscribe."

Currently, Canoe FM has eight podcasts: Planet Haliburton, Medical Matters, Thereby Hangs the Tale, Tales from the Big Canoe, Time Warp, Master Gardener, Mom's the Word, and Adventures in Business. The last two in the list are original podcasts, while the others are broadcast in some form already at Canoe and are reworked into a podcast format.

Muir said part of the task of reworking a radio program to a podcast is removing the music.

"The big difference between podcasts and broadcasts is how they deal with copyright. On the radio, people are used to playing whatever they want: if they feel like playing a Beatles song, they do, if they want to follow it up with Jimi Hendrix or Frank Sinatra, they can, then the station pays a fee to a licensing agency (SOCAN) that makes sure everyone gets paid and everything stays legal," he said.

"With podcasts, however, there is no set fee, and no single agency to make sure you're covered, legally. It's up to each podcast host to license each song they want to use in their show, and that sometimes means getting in touch with half a dozen companies (publishers, record companies etc), all of whom can charge as much as they want for you to play their songs."

Some programs are easier than others to convert to podcasts. Those that are music based likely can't be provided in podcast form, while others that include spoken word can be altered with relative ease.

For example, Planet Haliburton and Medical Matters were ready for podcast and they had already been provided for listeners on the Canoe FM website for download.

"Since making them available as podcasts, we've seen listenership grow all around the world," Muir said. "Between hashtags, social media shares, and podcast marketplaces like Apple, Spotify etc. all our shows have to do is upload with a tag (eg Medical Matters with #COVID updates), and then people from all over

the world are exposed to Canoe's shows."

Paul Vorvis is one of the station's volunteers who has been trained on how to continue producing podcasts after Muir's contract is up in August. He said learning how to edit his Time Warp program has been rewarding.

"When you get to the podcast and you're editing ... you hear things [like] 'um's and 'ah's. Those types of things. ... To go through and clean it up and hear the final product, it's really gratifying," he said.

Although the programming produced by Canoe FM is Haliburton centric, much of it is of interest to a wider audience. Vorvis said the Medical Matters program is their most downloaded podcast so far.

On his program, the content is a balance of county history and Canadian history.

"With the Time Warp ... Kate Butler, director of the Haliburton Highlands Museum, ... talks about Haliburton County-centric stories going back to the 1860s and earlier about how we got where we are and she does her segment on that, and I'll do something on the bigger Canadian context. We usually try to pick out some cool, interesting stories. The goal is at the end people go, 'oh, I didn't know that!' It takes research and a little bit of work, but it's fun to do," he said.

An avid podcast listener himself, Vorvis said some of his favourites outside of Canoe FM are Dan Carlin's Hardcore History, Rock N Roll Archaeology, Front Burner, BBC History Extra and one on Star Trek episodes.

One of the charms of podcasts is that they can be tailored to specific listeners. In fact, Muir said that's when they do the best.

"I think the strength of podcasts is their ability to appeal to a niche audience. It's not about making the biggest and most exciting production in the world, it's about sharing the unique perspective/experience you possess, and connecting with your audience all over the world," he said. "Thereby Hangs the Tale is a perfect example: Robin Clegg has a unique voice (both in writing and speaking), and his show gives him the opportunity to write short stories, exactly how he wants them

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*I think the strength of podcasts is their ability to appeal to a niche audience.*

— Rob Muir, Canoe FM

to be, read them in his own voice, and distribute them to the entire world! I think if more people concentrate on what makes them unique, rather than how they can have a mass appeal, they stand a better chance of finding their audience."

Muir's favourite podcasts outside of Canoe FM include Serial; Missing and Murdered; Unresolved; The Last Podcast on the Left; The Debaters; My Brother, My Brother and Me; and Radiolab.

Podcasts are free to download and/or subscribe to. You can find Canoe FM's podcasts on their website at canoe.fm/podcasts or by searching for them on various podcast apps including Apple Podcasts, Spotify, iTunes, iHeartRadio, Google Podcasts and Stitcher.

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CLUES ACROSS

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11. Hebrew unit of dry measure
12. A type of scientist
16. Greek goddess of discord
17. For Red Sox MVP
18. It checks your speed
19. Made dirty
24. The First State
25. Lodgings
26. Spiritual leader
27. Bradley Int’l Airport code
28. Native American people
29. Sharp pain
30. Touch
31. Slowly disappears
33. Indigenous Russian people
34. Narrative poem
38. Some are bad
39. Small quill feathers
40. Tattles
43. Popular Easter entree
44. Beneficiary
45. Clothed
49. Payroll firm
50. Lower Normandy’s largest city
51. Binary compound of halogen
53. The Fighting Irish
54. Skilled, paid worker
56. Eyelashes
58. The 12th letter of the Greek alphabet
59. Large, stocky lizard
60. Made poisonous
63. Former US Secretary of State
64. Sticky substances
65. A type of gin

CLUES DOWN

1. To return an echo
2. Displace
3. Japanese religion
4. Predilections

5. Partial
6. Poisonous plant
7. Road open
8. Atomic #81
9. Accomplished American composer
10. Oh, God!
13. Potato state
14. Most melancholic
15. Supportive framework
20. Hollywood’s Pacino
21. A title for women
22. Popular Grammys alternative
23. Check
27. Bolivian river
29. South Dakota
30. Wonderful
31. Supervises flying
32. Commercial
33. More (Spanish)
34. Even distribution of weight
35. “Arabian Nights”hero
36. Compact mass of a substance
37. Bachelor of Laws
38. Halfback
40. Some of it is ground
41. They play in the trenches
42. Atomic #18
44. Chinese Prefecture
45. Fabrics
46. Being in a direct line of descent from an ancestor
47. In slow tempo
48. Flood
50. Long-necked bird
51. Secondary school
52. Artificial intelligence
54. Structure by the water
55. Lather
57. What happens there stays there
61. A bone
62. The Great Lakes State

Answers on page 16

# Buckle up for the Little-Pit Drive In

Abbey Gardens is offering the community a night at the movies each Wednesday at sunset, starting July 22 at the Little-Pit Drive In.

The new endeavour is a way to bring people together while staying safe during the coronavirus pandemic, and for some will bring back a flood of memories from the days when drive-ins were common.

“When I was a child our parents would dress us in our PJs under our clothes, load us in the car with an enormous bag of popcorn, a pile of pillows and off we’d go,” said Lesley English, coordinator of the Little-Pit Drive In. “I remember desperately trying to stay awake to see the second feature and rarely succeeding. The whole thing was less about the actual movies and more about the experience. It was a family favourite!”

The drive-in bills itself as the first off-grid drive-in; it will be powered by solar and wind.

Organizers said the concept fulfills the mandate of Abbey Gardens by educating about sustainable living, while also providing a community gathering that is safe and fun.

“We have lost so many of the cultural outings that we in Haliburton are used to having in our backyard but are not able to access this summer,” Barb Bolin, committee member, said. “Abbey Gardens and its partners see the Little-Pit Drive In

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*Abbey Gardens and its partners see the Little-Pit Drive In as a safe way of inviting the community to a fun outing.*

— Barb Bolin, committee member

as a safe way of inviting the community to a fun outing and the opportunity to get to know us better.”

The summer’s movie lineup hasn’t yet been released, but organizers said each night will offer a double feature with old and new movies of various genres. Live intermission entertainment is also being planned.

Space is limited and it’s expected demand will be high, therefore the Little-Pit crew asks that you reserve tickets ahead of time at [abbeygardens.ca/littlepitdrivein](http://abbeygardens.ca/littlepitdrivein).

Staff



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT TO ZONING BY-LAW 2005-120 OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

DATE: Tuesday, July 28TH, 2020

TIME: 9:05 am

LOCATION: The public meeting will take place as an electronic meeting only. The meeting will be recorded through the conferencing application and live streamed to YouTube.

APPLICATIONS:

1. Lands of Taylor

- Purpose and Effect: The proposed amending By-law would change the zoning of the subject lands to recognize the location of existing and proposed development. Site specific zone provisions are proposed to recognize the lot area, front lot line setback, rear lot line setback and exterior side lot line setback.
- Zone change from Rural Type 1 (RU1) to Rural Residential-xx (RR-xx)
- Location: Con 2 Pt Lot 21 and Pt Closed Rd Allowance, Geographic Township of Harcourt, Municipality of Dysart et al.

2. Lands of Wood and Nichol

- Purpose and Effect: The proposed amending By-law would change the zoning of the subject lands to accurately delineate the Environmental Protection area boundary and create a developable lot area for residential purposes.
- Zone change from Rural Type 1 (RU1) and Environmental Protection (EP) to Rural Residential Zone (RR) and Environmental Protection (EP)
- Location: Part Lot 16, Concession 10, Parts 1 and 2, 19R-6344 Geographic Township of Dysart, Municipality of Dysart et al

Due to the Covid-19 Emergency, Council passed By-law 2020-35 to amend the Municipality of Dysart et al’s Procedural By-Law to permit electronic participation in meetings for Council, Local Boards and Committees. **There will not be an in-person meeting; this meeting will be conducted in an electronic format only.**

For more information about electronic meetings and public participation in an electronic meeting, contact the Municipal Clerk at [mbishop@dysartetal.ca](mailto:mbishop@dysartetal.ca).

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** about this application, including a copy of the draft by-law, is available by contacting Kris Orsan, Senior Planner at [korsan@dysartetal.ca](mailto:korsan@dysartetal.ca).

**RIGHT OF APPEAL:** For information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the Planning and Land Information Department during regular office hours (Monday to Friday – 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM).

**Dated** at the Township of Dysart, this 7th day of July, 2020.

Kris Orsan, CPT  
Senior Planner, Planning and Land Information

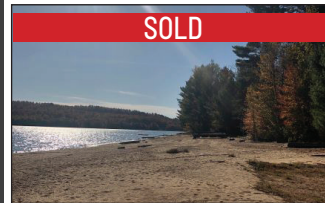




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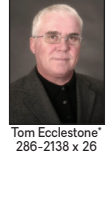
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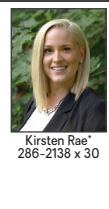
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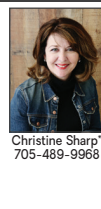
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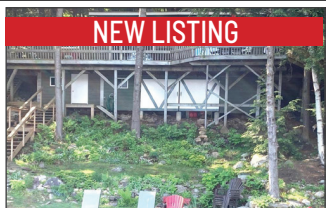
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# New funding to enhance virtual mental health services

JENN WATT  
*Editor*

Funding provided to Haliburton Highlands Health Services through the Emergency Community Support Fund will improve access to mental health services for vulnerable members of the community, HHHS CEO Carolyn Plummer said in a letter to the community.

“This funding will be used by HHHS and community partners to enhance access to virtual mental health services for

vulnerable members of our community,” Plummer wrote in the letter dated July 3.

Three community organizations have received the federal funding in the latest round, dispersed by the United Way City of Kawartha Lakes: Point in Time, HHHS, and SIRCH.

Point in Time received \$20,000 for the youth hub; SIRCH received \$15,000 for Community Kitchen; and HHHS received nearly \$20,000 for its virtual mental health support.

Plummer had been issuing letters to the community weekly when preparation for

the COVID-19 pandemic was first happening in Haliburton County. In recent weeks, she has reduced the frequency of letters to biweekly.

On July 3, she focused on mental health, telling community members that it is “natural to experience periods of stress, anxiety, fear, sadness, frustration, helplessness, isolation, difficulty sleeping or [concentrating], or physical symptoms such as increased heart rate, upset stomach or low energy.”

The website [haliburtoncares.ca](https://haliburtoncares.ca) includes a list of local service providers

that can help with mental health, including counselling and treatment. You can also call the Community Support Services response team, which is a service of HHHS, at 705-457-2941 or text 705-457-0016 from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You can also email [infoc@hhhs.ca](mailto:infoc@hhhs.ca).

Online mental health supports include [wellnesstogether.ca](https://wellnesstogether.ca) and [bigwhitewall.ca](https://bigwhitewall.ca).

Health-care workers can access resources at [camh.ca/covid19HCW](https://camh.ca/covid19HCW) as well as from Ontario Shores at [ontarioshores.ca/hcwassist](https://ontarioshores.ca/hcwassist).



## Haliburton Docs Talk: Summer in Haliburton 2020 Medicine and COVID

As a group of physicians we are pleased that Canada has flattened the curve. This is helping to keep our population safe. As things re-open and suggested travel restrictions are lessened, we need your help in ongoing efforts to protect the health of our country, province and local community. COVID-19 remains dangerous and there are many unknowns about this illness including its long term effects. Ongoing care and precaution to avoid the spread of this illness are needed.

Here's how you can help...

- Recognize that yes, things are reopening but that they can not yet return to normal
- The cautions and precautions we all take will together help things stay more 'open'
- Physical distance (> 6 feet between people)
- Wear a non-medical face mask or face covering in public spaces/stores
- Please recognize that our local health care system is working full tilt to continue to provide all the level of protection needed to our patients during this time. This is necessary but puts strains on all health care systems. Please be patient with the changes in processes involved
- To keep things safe for our patient's medicine needs to operate differently from how it did in the past. Primary care appointments will start on the phone and be in person only when needed. Much is now done virtually for your own protection. If you need to be seen, you will be screened to determine the safest place for you to be assessed.
- We may be mighty but we are a very small team and do not have endless capacity for the usual summer surge of primary care needs given the other COVID related responsibilities involved in health care during this time period
- Naturally please do use your closest emergency room for your emergent health care needs, calling first if you have symptoms concerning for COVID-19
- For non emergent health care needs please call your own family doctor (all doctors are now supported and encouraged to be offering virtual medicine by way of phone or computer connections)
- If you need a prescription renewal only - many pharmacists, for many medications, can extend your prescription until you can reach your primary care provider

Please keep in mind we are a small hospital with no specialists, no ICU, only transport ventilators and we are over an hour in any direction to a larger care centre such that if you become sick with symptoms of COVID-19 then returning to your primary residence closer to a tertiary care centre which can be accessed if things worsen may be an option you want to consider if you are well enough to travel and have a way to remain self isolated as you return.

Self-isolate for 14 days after travel outside of Canada

Self-isolate and call a health unit if you have a known contact with someone with COVID-19

Self-isolate if you have any symptoms of COVID-19. You can use the Ontario online self assessment tool, call your doctor or TeleHealth and book in at an assessment centre for COVID-19 testing

If travelling from a region with higher rates of COVID-19, or if you have no known contacts but you are concerned about your possible exposure risk for any reason, please consider curbside pick up of groceries and avoiding public places for 14 days

Please do not go shopping or to any store/public place or gathering if unwell. If you need something while you are feeling sick please check out our local supports at <https://www.haliburtoncares.ca>

Follow provincial guidelines as they evolve around re-opening and limiting gatherings to certain sizes etc...

This summer will hopefully have some great weather and outdoor adventures for all our residents and visitors. Enjoy and please do join us in these communal efforts to keep our population safe and healthy.

Dr. Judy Suke on behalf of  
The Physicians of the Haliburton Family Medical Clinic



## Supporting Katie's Run

The Gervais family from left, Annika, Karen, Mike and Linus posed for a photo encouraging others to join them to raise money virtually for Katie's Run for epilepsy research July 11. Annika and Karen ran five kilometres while Mike and Linus ran 2.5. The Gervais family has participated in Katie's Run three times before. /Photo courtesy of Karen Gervais



## Early bird draw

Rotarians Maureen O'Hara and Ted Brandon spin the drum and pull a ticket in the early bird draw held on the porch of the Haliburton County Echo office on Tuesday, June 30. Glen Lovsin of Newmarket won \$500. More than 85 per cent of the tickets have been sold, the next early bird draw is July 30 at 8 p.m., the final draw for the 2020 Camaro, or \$30,000 cash will be held Wednesday, Aug. 5 at 10 p.m. /DAVID ZILSTRA Staff





Chad Murphy and Kelly Prescott perform during the first Pontunes concert on Lake Kashagawigamog. /Photo submitted

## Pontunes' next concert on Head Lake

JENN WATT

Editor

A series of lake concerts accessed from the safety of one's personal watercraft comes to Haliburton as a silver lining to the coronavirus pandemic.

"Pontunes," which started on Lake Kashagawigamog on July 4, is a collaboration between musicians Kelly Prescott and Chad Murphy supported by Anderson Marketing.

"Due to COVID-19, Kelly's tour dates with Alan Doyle were postponed until 2021," explained Erin Anderson. "Kelly and Chad decided to move out of Toronto until they can get back to their tours. The move to Haliburton idea came up over some wine and delicious food, and the idea for Pontunes followed *very* shortly after that. Kelly's family used to do something similar in her hometown, and it immediately clicked as an awesome way to keep playing live music and support the community."

Tickets to the concerts are sold online at [pontunes.ca](http://pontunes.ca) for \$15 and include information about the specific location of the event. A portion of the proceeds go to Abbey Gardens.

For now, the shows can only be viewed from the water, meaning you need something that floats – a canoe, kayak, boat etc. If COVID-19 guidelines change later in the summer, Anderson said there may be a land-based show.

Anderson said the concept has been going well and that they anticipate continuing post-COVID-19.

"Pontunes was definitely born as a result of the pandemic, but I have no doubt that it will continue long after the pandemic," she said.

The next Pontunes shows are scheduled for Friday, July 17 at 7:30 p.m. on Head Lake and Thursday, July 30 at 7:30 p.m. on Soyers Lake. Video of the last Pontunes event along with ticket information can be found at [pontunes.ca](http://pontunes.ca).

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## Breaking ground for info centre

Work began on the new information centre for Haliburton village on Monday, July 13 next to the caboose. The collaboration between the Municipality of Dysart et al and the Rotary Club of Haliburton is to create an info centre and public washrooms for the park. /DAVID ZILSTRA Staff



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letters to the editor

# Research into COVID-19 precautions could help

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into the ducts in order to actually destroy the viruses. Some employees should be able to bring in personal air purifying appliances in order to improve their individual workspace.

Airflow should be set up to move air from the ceiling to the floor. This will cause large respiratory water droplets to fall more quickly and force aerosol droplets away from occupants' faces and toward their feet. Varying the force of airflow might also help to avoid hot spots around a contagious person. There are two classic examples of poor airflow resulting in extreme cases of community spread that can be viewed at this website. (<https://www.erinbromage.com/post/the-risks-know-them-avoid-them>)

Next, recommendations and enhanced policies should be developed in order to reduce risks. These policies should address the sanitation of hard and soft surfaces in workplaces and public areas and the separation of seating areas in offices, restaurants,

pubs and bars. (Yes, this can be accommodated safely.) Recommendations should include the cleaning of non-medical masks and separation of work versus home clothing.

The nation should be given more information on how to identify and avoid coronavirus risks. And finally, government organizations (particularly NRC and Health Canada) should be engaged in researching materials (DIY masks and commercial filters) and methods to mitigate the spread of coronavirus. There is little to be gained from merely relying on experiences gained from mistakes made when coping with the virus, when lives and economics can be saved by proactive measures provided by the anticipatory application of common sense.

Why is there not more discussion on these matters?

Dennis Choptiany  
Markham

# Internet access still poor in parts of county

To the Editor,

Your article in last week's Echo about real estate growth is very encouraging, however your comment "...as long as internet connectivity continues to improve in the area..." is somewhat misleading.

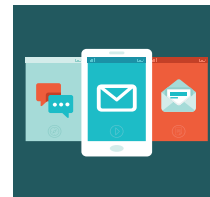
Here on Haliburton Lake, where there is (still) no cell service, internet service is arguably declining, as smartphone users draw from wifi rather than cellular connectivity, putting increased demand on limited bandwidth to the point that download speeds of less than 1.0 Mps are becoming the norm.

Not only does this mean that reliable internet connectivity, especially on summer weekends, is non-existent, but seasonal (and

perhaps permanent) residents are not able to effectively work-from-home (aka the cottage) and remain in Haliburton during this pandemic, where they will spend money buying from local merchants and service providers.

My internet provider clearly does not care, as evidenced by my too-numerous-to-track interactions with them, and although I truly believe that our elected politicians are doing all they can to pressure the powers that be to improve this situation ("change is coming and funding has been provided"), my download speed continues to decline.

Dave Love  
Haliburton Lake



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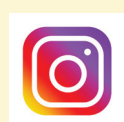
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We wish to extend special thanks to Bob's amazing supportive health care team; to Dr. Gilmour, and his nurse Brenda for their compassion and care, to our angel and advocate Paramed nurse Liz Foote for her weekly TLC visits, to Paramed nurse Amber-Lee Johnston for her amazing palliative care, to Paramed personal support workers Susan Fernandes and Carol Wilson for their special care, to Community Support Services van drivers Gord Woodman and Rena Woodley, thank you for being so good to Bob on his respite trips to Hyland Crest, to the Palliative Care Community Team, thank you for your weekly telephone calls, to Hospice volunteers Ron, Sue and Marie, thank you for your timely and caring visits and to all the staff at the Adult Day Program, thank you for making Bob feel at home.

We also wish to thank Judy Little and Amy Shaw for their wonderful care with Bob's day to day routines. Thank you for all the love and support you gave to each one of us, and for making our days a little brighter, we couldn't have done it without you! Also special mention goes to Brenda Bryant, Barbara Wubbolt and Haley Moore who helped early on with Bob's care. Each one of you made a huge difference in Bob's life!

Also sincere thanks to Pastor Bev Hicks for sharing words of comfort and encouragement at Bob's funeral and to the ladies of Northland Faith Church for preparing such a delicious bountiful lunch, following the graveside service.

Thank you also to Barry and Kirsten from Gord Monk Funeral Home for their outstanding professionalism, perseverance, compassion and care.

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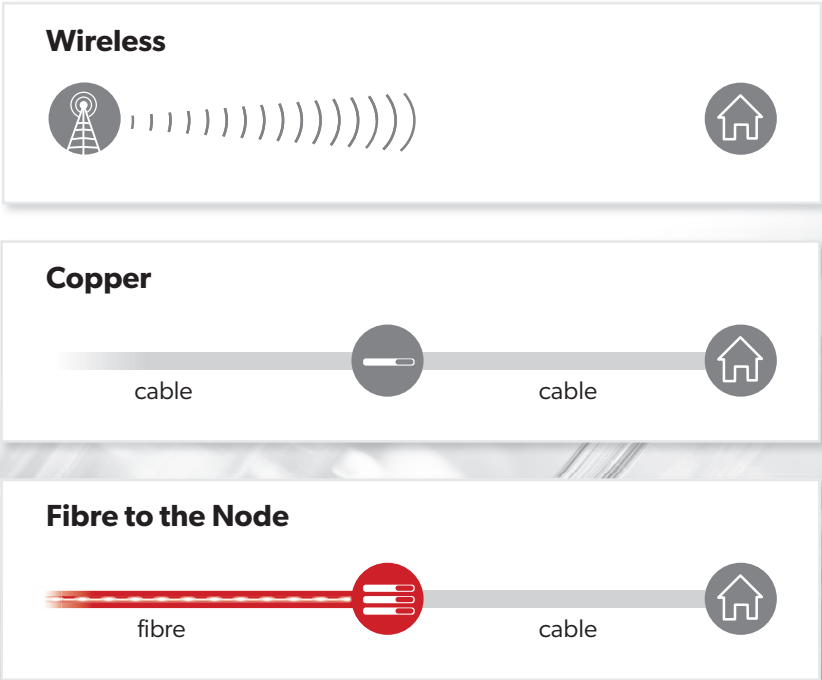


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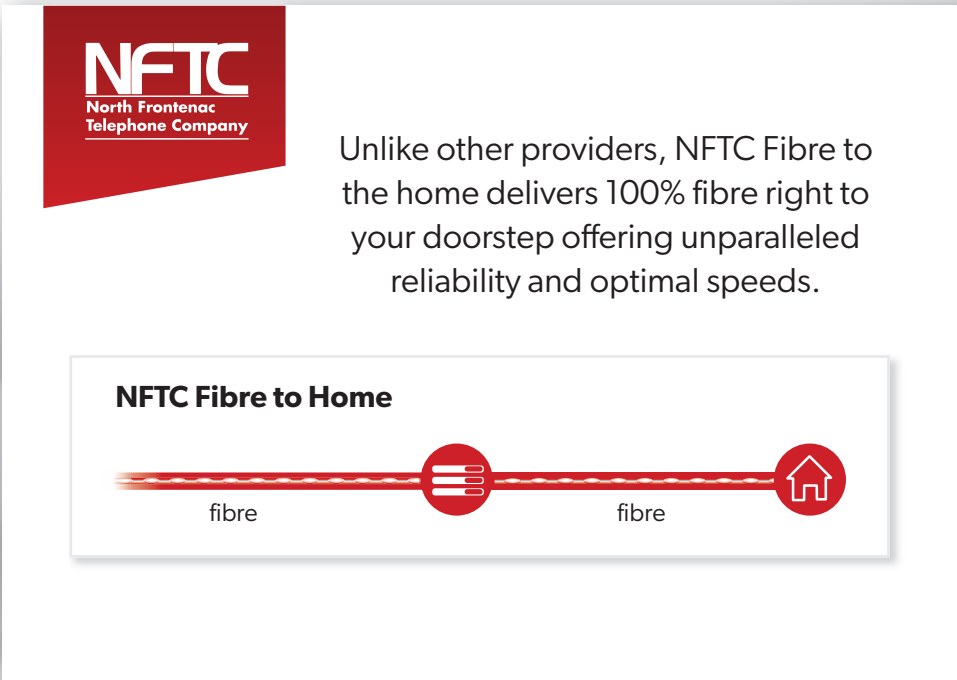
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LOSING IT

Don Dillon comes out on top when he's named king of TOPS

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## Water festival will run again

Kawartha Conservation Authority provides funds

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Following several weeks of uncertainty, organizers of the Children's Water Festival are breathing easier after nailing down funding for this year's event late last week.

Last year's inaugural event was funded by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada. But with only months left to plan and organize the annual installment, local co-ordinators grew nervous when they hadn't received confirmation regarding this year's funding.

All that changed last Thursday, however. Former event co-ordinator Kyla Greenham spent a long day making phone calls in search of financial support. Following hours of inquiry, Greenham says the festival was saved when the Kawartha Conservation Authority agreed to step to provide the money necessary to make the festival a reality.

"The past week has been very, very stressful, just trying to make sure that people didn't get the wrong impression," she says. "It was a rock in the road that we had to jump over, instead of just saying 'Well, that's it.'"

The funding, approximately \$12,000, is required to pay the salary of the co-ordinator. Greenham says the position is

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### A Blue Jay in the making

Expert marksman Shane O'Reilly, a Grade 1 student at Stuart Baker Elementary School, lobs yet another direct hit at Grade 3 teacher John Stephen. If there are any baseball scouts reading the Echo, this boy's one to keep an eye on. For more from the SBES fun day, see page 14.

## Mandatory recycling coming in September

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

Under a new bylaw to be passed this fall, private citizens and businesses alike will be forced to either separate recyclable materials from their trash or face a fine.

In an interview, Deputy-reeve Bill Davis said that part of the

reason for waiting until fall is that it would be difficult to introduce such a bylaw during the busy summer months. Likewise, council hopes to educate local citizens as to what is expected of them before issuing any penalties.

The bylaw will come into effect September 1, after which landfill employees will be

authorized to search trash bags which they believe might contain recyclable or hazardous materials, and issue fines to those who don't adhere to the new policy.

Council also noted that the Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East have already introduced and had success with this very same bylaw.

## OHL drafts former Huskie

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Staff Reporter

Former Haliburton Huskie Cody Hodgson will soon be playing in the OHL after being drafted in the first round on an educational contract by the Brampton Battalion.

Cody began playing hockey in the Highlands when he was only four years old but a few years after his father Chris, was elected as MPP for the Victoria-Haliburton riding in 1994, the family of six moved to the city of Markham.

Since that day, the 17-year-old has experienced a whirlwind of hockey success, playing for both the Markham Waxers and Toronto Junior Canadians hockey clubs. In the 2005-06 season, Cody racked up an impressive 27 goals and 24 assists in 30 games, including three game-winners. He also managed 27 playoff points in 15 games, securing his spot as the team's top scorer.

He says that being drafted to the Battalion is a "win-win" situation as he'll be contributing to a great organization while also having the opportunity to live at home and continue his studies at the same high school.

"Staying at home was really important to my parents. That's one of the things that my mom really wanted," he says. "If any other team had drafted me, I would have just stayed at home and played Junior A for Markham."

In fact, Cody says that the Battalion's decision came as a big shock because he hadn't really considered the OHL draft as an option for this year.

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### Redstone Lake

Quality-built, 4-bdrm, 3 bath cottage. This level 1.2-acre property is perfect for all ages to enjoy. It sits in a quiet bay w/ sand and rocks shoreline. 185 feet of frontage and beautiful western sunset views. Spacious, open-concept living, cathedral ceilings, and hardwood flooring. Bright kitchen. Large dining room and screened-in porch. Master bedroom with ensuite overlooks the lake. Finished lower level. Move in and start to enjoy your summer!  
**\$999,000**



### Otter Lake

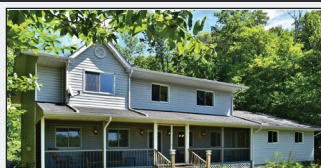
Privately situated on 67+ acres sits your dream custom built waterfront home or cottage. 4 bdrm, 3 bath home finished w/ high-end finishing's. 462ft of frontage. Cherry cabinetry, granite countertops, large island and oak flooring throughout. Main floor master w/ 5pc ensuite. Lovely living room w/ grand cathedral ceilings & granite fireplace. Full finished lower level. Excellent property for children and pets to run and enjoy nature.  
**\$979,000**



### Colbourne Lake

Enjoy being close to nature in a quiet, private and peaceful setting. 4 BR, 2 bath log home/cottage. 25 acres of mature trees. Stunning open concept living. Engineered hardwood flooring, granite countertops and walk-out to covered wraparound deck. Heated workshop with loft.  
**\$969,000**

#### WENONA LAKE \$662,000



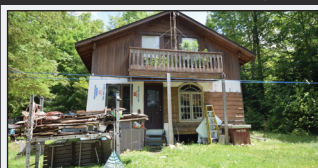
Looking for a quiet, calm and peaceful four season cottage or waterfront home? Look no further. This 3 BR, 3 bath immaculate cottage sits on a private lot. Large open concept living, excellent for hosting family gatherings. 125ft of frtg with stunning western views.

#### LITTLE KENNISIS LAKE \$639,000



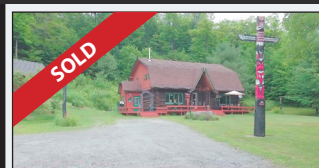
The perfect four-season cottage! 4-bdrm, 1 bath cottage. This well treed lot and 161+/- ft of frontage provide ample privacy. Situated on a quiet part of the lake. Large lakefront deck. Floor to ceiling windows in the living room and woodstove. Sitting deck at the water's edge is a bonus. When you walk on the deck you really feel you are immersed in the woods and truly at the cottage.

#### KENNISIS LAKE \$569,000



It's all about the lot!! Enjoy the gorgeous sunsets from this west facing level lot. Amazing rock shoreline, deep water entry is great for the avid swimmers. 125 ft frontage and year round road. Looking for a fixer upper this one is for you! 3 bdrms 2 with balconies.

#### CARROLL ROAD \$559,500



Every nature lovers dream! 3 bdrm, 2 bath rustic log home perfectly situated on 92ac. Deck around the front & side to enjoy your lovely yard, gardens & forest. Complete and utter privacy! Open concept kitchen-dining finished with wood cabinetry and grand wood cookstove. Large 3 bay garage.

## VACANT LOTS

Drag Lake \$469,000 7.24AC  
Drag Lake \$349,900 3.51AC  
West Lake \$349,000 0.60AC  
Colborne Lake \$289,000 4.83AC  
Paddys Bay \$259,000 45.72AC  
Harburn Road \$89,888 44+AC  
North Drive \$74,900 2.11AC  
Irondale River \$65,000 3.22AC  
Basshaunt Lake Road \$47,000 2.36 AC  
Fred Jones Road \$34,500 6.59AC  
West Court Place \$29,000 2.43AC  
South Drive \$29,500 2.22AC  
**SOLD** Studio Lane \$25,000 0.50 AC

#### NEGAUNEE LAKE \$529,000



This 3-bdrm, 1 bath cottage plus neighboring vacant waterfront lot are being sold TOGETHER. With a combined total frontage of 306 ft. Double detached insulated garage with studio loft. Level to sloping yard. Bright open concept living Stunning lake views. Bunkie located on the additional vacant waterfront lot. Negaunee is a no motor lake. This package won't last long.

#### LONG LAKE \$499,900



Choose to build your dream cottage on this stunning property overlooking Long Lake or renovate the existing building which includes 2 BR and 1 full bath. Extensive 650' of water frontage. Private seasonal access and beautifully wooded 54+/- acres provides ample privacy.

#### MONROCK LAKE \$335,000



It's all about the lot! 101 ft of frontage. Gorgeous western views, level to sloping land. Traditional 3-bdrm, 1 bath seasonal cottage being sold "as is." Choose to build your dream cottage on this stunning property or renovate the existing building. Additional storage shed, bunkie and sauna.

#### LITTLE HAWK LAKE RD \$294,900



What a perfect place to escape. Situated on a 2.54 acre lot with great privacy. 2 bdrm, 1 bath. Large windows. Character and charm are a theme throughout, from the barn board accent walls, to the white washed ceilings throughout, to the now-decorative old stone fireplace. Located within walking distance to Elvin Johnson Park, close to beaches, boat launches and more.

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